

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Monday, September 23, 1996

The House met at 12 noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Ms. GREENE of Utah].

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
September 23, 1996.

I hereby designate the Honorable ENID GREENE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Rev. Mark D. Cooper, associate pastor, Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Fairfax, VA, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we pause for a moment before the day of work begins to open our hearts, to listen to the spirit within. Give us a sense of Your presence and of Your hope for Your creation. Bless these men and women who carry elected responsibility for leadership. Give them insight into the nature of the issues they face that they might bring wisdom where there is chaos, peace where there is discord, joy where there is sadness.

A day of atonement has passed, the shofar has blown calling us all to repentance, to a new year of living out life with integrity. Give us strength of conscience, the courage of our convictions, that we might find a time of peace for all people. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. BROWDER] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. BROWDER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair desires to announce that pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker signed the following enrolled bills on Friday, September 20, 1996: H.R. 2464, to amend Public Law 103-93 to provide additional lands within the State of Utah for the Goshute Indian Reservation, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2512, to provide for certain benefits of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin Program to the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2982, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Carbon Hill National Fish Hatchery to the State of Alabama;

H.R. 3120, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to witness retaliation, witness tampering, and jury tampering; and

H.R. 3287, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Crawford National Fish Hatchery to the city of Crawford, NE.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 20, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on Friday, September 20 at 12:10 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President wherein he transmits a semiannual report on telecommunications services with respect to Cuba.

With warm regards,
ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk,

SEMIANNUAL REPORT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES WITH RESPECT TO CUBA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 104-267)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee

on International Relations and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

This report is submitted pursuant to 1705(e)(6) of the Cuban Democracy Act of 1992, 22 U.S.C. 6004(e)(6) (the "CDA"), as amended by section 102(g) of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity (LIBERTAD) Act of 1996, Public Law 104-114; 110 Stat. 793 (the "LIBERTAD Act"), which requires that I report to the Congress on a semi-annual basis detailing payments made to Cuba by any United States person as a result of the provision of telecommunications services authorized by this subsection.

The CDA, which provides that telecommunications services are permitted between the United States and Cuba, specifically authorizes me to provide for payments to Cuba by license. The CDA states that licenses may provide for full or partial settlement of telecommunications services with Cuba, but does not require any withdrawal from a blocked account. Following enactment of the CDA on October 23, 1992, a number of U.S. telecommunications companies successfully negotiated agreements to provide telecommunications services between the United States and Cuba consistent with policy guidelines developed by the Department of State and the Federal Communications Commission.

Subsequent to enactment of the CDA, the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) amended the Cuban Assets Control Regulations, 31 C.F.R. Part 515 (the "CACR"), to provide for specific licensing on a case-by-case basis for certain transactions incident to the receipt or transmission of telecommunications between the United States and Cuba, 31 C.F.R. 515.542(c), including settlement of charges under traffic agreements.

The OFAC has issued eight licenses authorizing transactions incident to the receipt or transmission of telecommunications between the United States and Cuba since the enactment of the CDA. None of these licenses permits payments to the Government of Cuba from a blocked account. In the period October 23, 1992, to June 30, 1996, OFAC-licensed U.S. carriers reported payments to the Government of Cuba in settlement of charges under telecommunications traffic agreements as follows:

AT&T Corporation (formerly, American Telephone and Telegraph Company)	\$39,647,734.42
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□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

AT&T de Puerto Rico	524,646.58
Global One (formerly, Sprint Incorporated)	4,870,053.05
IDB WorldCom Services, Inc. (formerly, IDB Com- munications, Inc.)	3,038,857.00
MCI International, Inc. (formerly, MCI Commu- nications Corporation) ...	17,453,912.00
Telefonica Larga Distancia de Puerto Rico, Inc.	150,282.40
WilTel, Inc. (formerly, WilTel Underseas Cable, Inc.)	7,792,142.00
WorldCom, Inc. (formerly, LDDS Communications, Inc)	3,349,967.88
.....	\$76,827,595.33

I shall continue to report semiannually on telecommunications payments to the Government of Cuba from United States persons.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, September 20, 1996.

COMMISSION ON CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WARFARE AGENT EXPOSURE ACT

(Mr. BROWDER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BROWDER. Madam Speaker, legislation I am introducing today calls for the creation of an independent commission to study the possible incidences of chemical and biological warfare agent exposure during the Persian Gulf conflict.

The legislation is based on a September 5 recommendation by the staff of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses. Creation of this commission before Congress adjourns sine die is essential if we are to uncover the causes of gulf war syndrome, assure veterans of the Government's good faith, and reduce the chance that soldiers in future conflicts may be exposed to unnecessary health risks.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of May 12, 1995, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

SAFE MOTHERHOOD

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Colorado [Mrs. SCHROEDER] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Madam Speaker, I take the floor today to talk about a bill I will be introducing this week dealing with safe motherhood. When women first got the right to vote in this country, one of the first things they focused on was how many American women were dying in childbirth.

In 1913 alone, the statistics were horrifying, because more women died in this country in childbirth than any other cause except for tuberculosis which we all know was running almost as an epidemic. The women, after they got the right to vote, found that this Congress was spending more money on hog cholera than they were on safe motherhood. There was a flurry of activity, a lot was done, and unfortunately we really have not done much to focus on this since. I have asked for several reports to be done and when we look at those reports, it is really quite startling.

First, we really do not know much about the condition of safe motherhood. Even Health and Human Services estimates that what we do know is probably only about 50 percent correct. They would guess that our very high rate of maternal deaths is probably double what it really is. And that is because each State keeps statistics, and because of insurance and everything, they tend to want to keep the statistics very tightly, so they probably in many places count maternal deaths only when they happen directly during the pregnancy rather than within the year of the pregnancy that aggravated a preexisting condition or something else. In our country we are more apt to blame it on the condition than on the pregnancy. As a consequence, as high as our statistics are for the developed world, they are still probably much higher than that if we really knew the truth. So the first thing I am going to do in my bill is try and get uniformity in statistics, so we begin to know what we have really got here.

Second, the one thing we do know is intended pregnancies are the safest. If people are intending to get pregnant, they are watching their diet, they are probably trying, we hope, to stop smoking, drinking or whatever else they are doing and they are in much better shape and they are much healthier pregnancies. We all know how everyone in this country has been horrified by the percentage of unintended teen pregnancies. Eighty-two percent of the teen pregnancies between the ages of 15 and 19 are unintended. Very few people know that for women over 40, the statistics are almost the same. Unintended pregnancies of women over 40 are now at 77 percent. That is almost the same as teens. Further, we know from the meager statistics we do have, or the shaky ones we have, women over 40 who are pregnant are 9 times more likely to die in childbirth than women below that. So we have a tremendous education process to do, not only with teens but with women over 40, for heaven's sakes, who have not been getting this information.

Another piece that I will be talking about in my bill is folic acid. As we all know, you can take that and it is in

bread, it is in a lot of things now, and it will prevent many, many birth defects that we have been so troubled by in this country. Educating pregnant moms about that is terribly important for the future.

Then another piece, which is awfully important, is having standards, standards that would certify facilities that provide fetal ultrasound. I know folks will scream about that. They screamed about that when we had legislation to put in standards for people who were doing mammograms, pap smears, and everything else. But let me say the only thing worse than not having those types of tests is to have one and to have a bad one. What we have found is there are no standards on fetal ultrasound, and certainly I think that should be required. People should know as consumers what is a good, good effort in this field.

The other very sad thing that our statistics show is there is a tremendous difference on the basis of race. African-American women have a much more difficult time and are much more apt to die from pregnancy than women of other races in this country. We think part of that is because of insurance coverage, and many other things. But those are all things that should be focused on.

So I would hope that as we bring this century to a close, we once again focus on safe motherhood and doing everything this great Nation can do to try and reduce the number of fatalities that are much too high.

ADOPTING ENGLISH AS OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. ROTH] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. ROTH. Madam Speaker, I want to say that I am happy that the House passed a very important bill on August 1, but I am somewhat concerned that this bill is languishing in the other body, and I hope that the other body will take up the legislation quickly.

Teddy White, one of the greatest sociologists, certainly one of the greatest sociologists of our time, wrote such memorable books as "Making of the President, 1960, 1964, 1968, and 1972." He wrote before his death that as America comes to the centennial now, the greatest concern he has for our country is that America is no longer one Nation, that we are losing our oneness, that we are now becoming a nation of groups.

In his book, "America in Search of Itself," he goes into some detail on that problem. He said that America at one time was a melting pot, that we Americans represent every individual group, every religion, every linguistic group from every corner of the globe here in America, but we are one nation,

one people. Why? Because we have had a wonderful commonality, a common glue called the English language. And as Teddy White said, we are losing that, and we are losing it very quickly today. This Nation, if we become divided on language, can never be put back together again. So if we want to keep this country, the United States of America, one nation, then we have to keep this commonality.

That is why I am so delighted that the House on August 1 passed by such a huge majority, 259-169, a bill to make English our official language. I know that the election is near, that it is just days away, but we have to think of our country first, before any election. That is why I think it is so important for us now to ask our friends in the other body to do everything they can to bring up the bill to make English our official language.

The "Disuniting of America" is another book that Arthur Schlesinger wrote. In his book, he mentioned that we face a real crisis if we allow our country to break up into different groups, that we have to keep this concept that we have had from the beginning, of America being a United States of America, and for that we need the commonality, we need the common glue of the English language.

Madam Speaker, I hope that we in this House will continue that fight, because the American people have strongly supported our initiative to make English our official language. In every poll that has been taken the American people have voted overwhelmingly to approve, to make English our official language. The people know how important it is to keep the oneness, because again we represent every group, every culture, every language in the world. If we are to keep this United States of America one nation, one people, then we have to have this commonality, this common glue.

So, Madam Speaker, I ask the people in this House and the other body to unite together and to go forward with the certitude that the American people have strongly endorsed this legislation. The American people very much want this legislation, so we can always remain the United States of America, one nation, one people, one language.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

The following Members (at the request of Mrs. SCHROEDER) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:

Mr. MCINTOSH, for 5 minutes on September 26.

Mr. GOSS, for 5 minutes each day, on September 24, 25, 26, and 27.

Mr. CHRISTENSEN, for 5 minutes on September 24.

Mrs. SCHROEDER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LAHOOD, for 5 minutes on September 25.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mrs. SCHROEDER) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. CAMP.

Mr. DAVIS.

Mr. GILMAN.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2464. An act to amend Public Law 103-93 to provide additional lands within the State of Utah for the Goshute Indian Reservation, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2512. An act to provide for certain benefits of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River basin program to the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2982. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Carbon Hill National Fish Hatchery to the State of Alabama;

H.R. 3120. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to witness retaliation, witness tampering and jury tampering; and

H.R. 3287. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Crawford National Fish Hatchery to the city of Crawford, Nebraska.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on this day present to the President, for his approval, bills of the House of the following titles:

On September 20, 1996:

H.R. 3396. An act to define and protect the institution of marriage;

H.R. 2679. An act to revise the boundary of the North Platte National Wildlife Refuge, to expand the Pettaquamscutt Cove National Wildlife Refuge, and for other purposes;

H.R. 3060. An act to implement the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty;

H.R. 3553. An act to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act to authorize appropriations for the Federal Trade Commission; and

H.R. 3816. An act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. ROTH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 16 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, September 24, 1996, at 10:30 a.m. for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

5231. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Nectarines and Fresh Peaches Grown in California; Assessment Rates [Docket No. FV96-916-1 FIR] received September 23, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5232. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Kiwi Fruit Grown in California; Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV96-920-1 FIR] received September 23, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5233. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Oranges and Grapefruit Grown in the Lower Grande Valley in Texas; Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV96-906-1 FIR] received September 23, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5234. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Miscellaneous Amendments [Defense Acquisition Circular 91-11] received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

5235. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards (RIN: 3064-AB66) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

5236. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule—Higher Education Programs in Modern Foreign Language Training and Area Studies—Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships Program (RIN: 1840-AC28) received September 20, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

5237. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule—Higher Education Programs in Modern Foreign Language Training and Area Studies—National Resource Centers Program for Foreign Language and Area Studies or Foreign Language and International Studies (RIN: 1840-AC27) received September 20, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

5238. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting the summary of chapter 2 annual reports, 1993-94; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

5239. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Changes to Select Rules In Order to Eliminate Fees Previously Adopted by the Commission (RIN:

3235-AG79) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

5240. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Israel (Transmittal No. DTC-62-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

5241. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with Australia (Transmittal No. DTC-63-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

5242. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with Japan (Transmittal No. DTC-57-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

5243. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to the United Kingdom (Transmittal No. DTC-58-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

5244. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Germany (Transmittal No. DTC-60-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

5245. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendments to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations [Public Notice 2408] received September 23, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

5246. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a list of all reports issued or released in August 1996, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 719(h); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5247. A letter from the Chief Judge, Court of Veterans Appeals, transmitting the annual estimate of the expenditures and appropriations necessary for the maintenance and operation of the Court of Veterans Appeals retirement fund, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 7298(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5248. A letter from the Mayor of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-281, "Revised Fiscal Year 1997 Budget Request Act"—received September 23, 1996, pursuant to Public Law 104-8, section 202(c)(5)(C)(ii); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5249. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior, transmitting a report on the Government's Helium Program providing operating statistical and financial information for the fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 167n; to the Committee on Resources.

5250. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Final Power Allocation Procedures of the Post-2000 Resources Pool—Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program,

Eastern Division (6450-01-P) received September 16, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

5251. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery, Exception to Permit Requirements [Docket No. 960216032-6246-07; I.D. 082096H] (RIN: 0648-AH70) received September 20, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

5252. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 600 [Docket No. 960129018-6018-01; I.D. 091796B] received September 20, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

5253. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Changes in Catch Limits [Docket No. 950725189-6245-04; I.D. 060696A] (RIN: 0648-AI92) received September 20, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

5254. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 757 Series Airplanes (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 96-NM-223-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5255. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Hartzell Propeller Inc. HC-A3V, HC-B3M, HC-B3T, HC-B4M, HC-B4T, and HC-B5M Series Propellers (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 95-ANM-30] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5256. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of Class E Airspace; Torrington, Wyoming (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 96-ANM-017] (RIN: 2120-AA66) (1996-0131) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5257. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of Class E Airspace; Blanding, Utah (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 95-ANM-25] (RIN: 2120-AA66) (1996-0132) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5258. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of Class E Airspace; Cannon City, Colorado (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 96-ANM-018] (RIN: 2120-AA66) (1996-0133) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5259. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Bowling Green, KY (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No.

96-ASO-13] (RIN: 2120-AA66) (1996-0130) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5260. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of Class E Airspace; Currituck, NC (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 95-ASO-16] (RIN: 2120-AA66) (1996-0128) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5261. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class D Airspace; Smyrna, TN (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 96-ASO-15] (RIN: 2120-AA66) (1996-0129) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5262. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 28654; Amdt. No. 398] received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5263. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; SOCATA Groupe AERO-SPATIALE TBM 700 Airplanes (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 95-CE-67-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5264. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Burkhart Grob Luft-und Raumfahrt Models G115C, G115C2, G115D, and G115D2 (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 96-CE-50-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5265. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F28 Mark 0100 Series Airplanes (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 95-NM-59-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5266. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F28 Mark 0100 Series Airplanes (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 94-NM-249-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5267. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F28 Mark 0100 Series Airplanes (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 94-NM-252-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5268. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Weatherly Aviation Company, Inc., Models 620A and 620B Series Airplanes (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 94-CE-42-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received

September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5269. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model CL-600-2B16 (CL-601-3A and -3R) and CL-600-2B19 (Regional Jet Series 100) (Federal Aviation Administration) [Docket No. 95-NM-247-AD] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5270. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Stability and Control of Medium and Heavy Vehicles During Braking (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) [Docket No. 92-29; Notice 11] (RIN: 2127-AG06) received September 19, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5271. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Advanced Notice of Arrivals, Departures, and Certain Dangerous Cargoes (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD 94-089] (RIN: 2115-AF19) received September 23, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5272. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Weighted Average

Interest Rate Update [Notice 96-45] received September 23, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 3497. A bill to expand the boundary of the Snoqualmie National Forest, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 104-816). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. H.R. 3632. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to repeal the requirement for annual resident review for nursing facilities under the Medicaid Program and to require resident reviews for mentally ill or mentally retarded residents when there is a significant change in physical or mental condition (Rept. 104-817). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. H.R. 3633. A bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to permit a waiver of the prohibition of offering nurse aide training and competency evaluation

programs in certain nursing facilities (Rept. 104-818 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BROWDER:

H.R. 4131. A bill to establish a commission to investigate exposure to chemical and biological warfare agents as a result of the Persian Gulf conflict; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. METCALF:

H.R. 4132. A bill to require that a portion of the amounts made available for housing programs for the homeless be used for housing for homeless veterans; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 3715: Mr. BOEHNER.

H.R. 3753: Mr. LATHAM and Mr. LIGHTFOOT.

H. Con. Res. 21: Mr. FROST.

H. Res. 30: Mr. SABO, Mr. BAKER of California, and Mr. SKELTON.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF DAVID V. BROWN

HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 23, 1996

Mr. DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise and pay tribute to Mr. David V. Brown, who has served the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority for the past 29 years as the executive director of operations and finance. September 29, 1996, marks the retirement of this exceptional member of our local community, who has dedicated years of service to northern Virginia.

Dave began his long, distinguished career with the Regional Park Authority on June 5, 1967, to work at the Bull Run Marina, Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority's first developed facility. Over the next three decades, he rose from park manager to superintendent of parks, director of operations, and finally in 1994, was appointed to his current role, executive director of finance and operations. In 1992, Dave was recognized for his valuable contributions to the Park Authority by being awarded the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority's Ira Gabrielson Award for 25 years of service.

Dave's numerous, notable accomplishments with the park authority have provided the citizens of northern Virginia recreational places and events for the enjoyment of the whole family. Dave was instrumental in developing and implementing the operations of the 19 regional parks owned and administered by the regional park authority, which include three public golf courses, five outdoor swim and play complexes, two campgrounds, gardens, historic structures, nature preserves, and the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Regional Park, recognized as a National Recreation Trail. He was an architect of one of my favorite annual events that I look forward to attending all year, the exceedingly popular Bull Run Country Jamboree, attended by thousands. This event brings the Nation's top country artists to northern Virginia.

Dave was extremely valuable in the designing and operating of the Brambleton Golf Course, the park authority's newest course in Brambleton Regional Park in Loudoun County. Dave exemplifies the very best in public service.

Through difficult fiscal times, he has proved innovative in delivering quality services to the public, always with a smile, and never complaining. Dave leaves a legacy for northern Virginia parks and recreation to be enjoyed by future generations.

Dave and his wife, Tonya, have two sons, Jeffery and Michael, of whom they are very proud. Jeffery is an attorney, and Michael is currently in London handling financial matters for Marriott Corp.

Mr. Speaker, I know that my colleagues will join me in applauding Mr. David Brown for his

extraordinary efforts to provide the citizens of northern Virginia recreational parks and events at which to enjoy the great outdoors. Although his presence will be sorely missed, we wish him great success in his future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO HELEN ANN AND BOB BATES

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 23, 1996

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor two Michigan residents as they are recognized for their contribution to Polka and the State of Michigan. Helen Ann and Bob Bates will be inducted into the State of Michigan Polka Music Hall of Fame on Sunday, October 6, 1996.

America was built by the hard work and commitment of settlers who brought with them a rich and varied heritage. Polka flourished in Michigan largely due to the devotion of those who brought with them their family traditions and customs, as well as their love of polka. Helen Ann and Bob are just a few of those special individuals who were proud to keep an honored tradition alive.

Helen Ann Hedrich of Elsie, MI, was a musician well before she married her husband, Bob, in 1958. She has played with many different musicians during her career, including the Swinging Bees, and she has criss-crossed Mid-Michigan playing inns, clubs, lodges, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts. But it was with her husband that she found her most rewarding musical experience.

Bob Bates, also of Elsie, is a self-taught musician. He bought his first electric bass guitar in 1965, the same year as the birth of their third child. Helen Ann and Bob played their first gig together that year, and their 31 year performing career together began.

As the MBC Band, and later as the MBC Trio and the Helen Ann Dance Band, the Bates were regulars at places such as Lamplight Inn in Carson City, the Washington Society Club in Saginaw, and the Owosso Eagle Club. For the Bates, however, their most memorable appearances have always been playing to appreciative nursing home audiences.

Mr. Speaker, thanks to the efforts of Helen Ann and Bob, we are all still able to enjoy a rich musical tradition. They will be honored at a reception in Owosso, MI because of their dedication and commitment to spreading the polka tradition and helping others enjoy this special music. I am confident that the musical legacy of these outstanding individuals will be remembered for decades to come.

IN TRIBUTE TO THE BRAVE HEROES WHO GAVE SO MUCH OF THEMSELVES IN THE MICHAEL FAUCI TRAGEDY

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 23, 1996

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the memory of Michael Braccio Fauci, who was lost and perished while skiing in the Italian Alps in February of this year. I would also like to honor all of the dedicated volunteers, friends, and family who were so instrumental in the search efforts for this young man.

Eighteen-year-old Michael Fauci disappeared on February 19, 1996, while on a skiing trip to Cortina, Italy, a birthday gift from his family. Through the combined efforts of hundreds of Italian rescue workers, U.S. consulate personnel, NATO helicopters, and volunteers over a period of 3½ months, an immense search effort was initiated to find Michael and lasted for nearly 3½ months.

Both the Italian authorities and the United States consulate in Milan did everything in their power to find Michael. The rescue party searched endlessly day and night, stopping only to rest when absolutely necessary. Never have I seen such an outpouring of concern from so many parties. My office received numerous letters and phone calls from constituents eager to help in any way they could, many of whom offered to accompany Carmine and Margaret Fauci in their efforts to find their son.

On May 26, Michael's body was found hidden in a makeshift shelter in the woods. Tragically it was Michael's parents, and their search party, who found him in the shelter not 4,000 feet north of the ski resort Cortina D'Ampezzo.

On September 25, 1996, there will be an award and choral concert in remembrance of Michael. Program participants include Mr. Gianpiero Bosetti, the head coordinator of the search operation, and representatives from national, State, and local government and community agencies. Once again, friends and family from Italy and the United States will join together as the Fauci family thanks all those who were so instrumental in the search for their son.

In his memory, the Michael Braccio Fauci Foundation for the Advancement of Search and Rescue Technology was formed to advance and improve the technology used to locate and rescue missing persons lost in the outdoors or trapped by the forces of nature. A type of tracking device worn on Michael's clothes would have guided the search party to him within hours and saved his life. Through this foundation, the Fauci family hopes to raise funds to develop a high-technology model, so

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that in the future it could be available to all people who appreciate and spend time in the great outdoors. It would also reduce the number of people lost to snowstorms each year.

I am deeply saddened that we had to lose such a shining star in our community. But with the establishment of the Michael Braccio Fauci Foundation, we can only hope to help prevent this tragedy from happening again. By working together, Michael's death will not have been in vain. Michael was a wonderful, talented, and spirited young man. He will be sorely missed, and someone we won't soon forget.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, September 24, 1996, may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

SEPTEMBER 25

9:30 a.m.
Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Science, Technology, and Space Subcommittee
To hold hearings on issues relating to the study of Mars.
SR-236

10:00 a.m.
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
International Finance Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine the release of the Fourth Trade Promotion Coordinating Committee annual report.
SD-538

Commerce, Science, and Transportation
To hold hearings on aviation safety issues, focusing on treatment of families after airline accidents.
SR-253

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

Finance
Business meeting, to mark up H.R. 3815, to make technical corrections and miscellaneous amendments to trade laws.
SD-215

Foreign Relations
Business meeting, to consider pending calendar business.
SD-419

Governmental Affairs
Financial Management and Accountability Subcommittee
To hold oversight hearings on the regulatory review activities of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs.
SD-342

Judiciary
To resume hearings to examine White House access to FBI background summaries.
SD-226

10:30 a.m.
Veterans' Affairs
To hold joint hearings with the Select Committee on Intelligence on the Department of Defense and Intelligence reports of U.S. military personnel exposures to chemical agents during the Persian Gulf War.
SH-216

Select on Intelligence
To hold joint hearings with the Committee on Veterans Affairs on the Department of Defense and Intelligence reports of U.S. military personnel exposures to chemical agents during the Persian Gulf War.
SH-216

1:30 p.m.
Indian Affairs
To hold hearings to examine the phase-out of the Navajo/Hopi relocation program.
SR-485

2:00 p.m.
Armed Services
To hold hearings on the impact of the Bosnian elections and the deployment of U.S. military forces to Bosnia and the Middle East.
SR-222

Foreign Relations
Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine prospects for peace, security, and economic development in Lebanon.
SD-419

Judiciary
To hold hearings on the role of the Department of Justice in implementing the Prison Litigation Reform Act.
SD-226

2:30 p.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
Forests and Public Land Management Subcommittee
To hold hearings on S. 987, to provide for the full settlement of all claims of

Swain County, North Carolina, against the United States under the agreement dated July 30, 1943.
SD-366

SEPTEMBER 26

9:00 a.m.
Appropriations
To hold joint hearings with the Special Committee on Aging on increasing funding for biomedical research.
SH-216

Special on Aging
To hold joint hearings with the Committee on Appropriations on increasing funding for biomedical research.
SH-216

9:30 a.m.
Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Aviation Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine the status of air service to small communities.
SR-253

10:00 a.m.
Foreign Relations
To hold hearings to review the interpretation of the ABM Treaty and U.S. ballistic missile defense.
SD-419

Governmental Affairs
To hold hearings to review the annual report of the Postmaster General.
SD-342

2:00 p.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine the National Environmental Policy Act decisionmaking process with regard to Federal Land Management Agencies and the role of the Council on Environmental Quality.
SD-366

Judiciary
To hold hearings to review the annual refugee consultation process.
SD-226

OCTOBER 2

9:30 a.m.
Indian Affairs
To hold oversight hearings on the regulatory activities of the National Indian Gaming Commission.
SH-216

10:00 a.m.
Judiciary
Immigration Subcommittee
To hold oversight hearings on activities of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.
SD-226